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REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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25X1C 1. On 2 August 1953, the barracks installation in Droegen near Fuerstenberg was occupied by about 600 troops. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets. About 20 armored personnel carriers were lined up in the barracks yard. All barracks buildings were fully flighted after nightfall. Truck was seen en route to the installation.¹

25X1 2. On 2 August, the new buildings in the area west of the Upper Castaven Lake had been completed. an estimated 15 two-story brick buildings in the woods about 800 meters north of the road to Lychen.² 25X1

3. On 2 August, the former Ravensbrueck concentration camp was vacant and made a derelict impression.³

25X1A 1. Comment. In addition to unidentified headquarters units of the Second Gds Mecz Army, the 34th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 12th Gds Tank Div is carried in the barracks installation in Droegen. Same source, on 28 July, determined a bivouac between Droegen and Seilersdorf, which possibly quartered elements of the abovementioned regiment.

25X1A 2. Comment. The 33d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 9th Gds Tank Div has been stationed in the new barracks installations west of the Upper Castaven Lake since the fall of 1952.

25X1A 3. Comment. No information has been received on the former Ravensbrueck concentration camp for a rather long period of time. It, therefore, cannot be determined at what time and for what destination the elements of rear services of the Second Gds Mecz Army previously stationed there had left the installation.

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